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SUBJECT: THAI GOVERNMENT RE-AFFIRMS COMMITMENT TO  
U.S.-THAILAND TREATY OF AMITY AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS (AER)

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Reftel reported the approval by the Thai Cabinet of amendments to the Foreign Business Act (FBA). Some Thai media on January 10 reported that as part of the FBA amendments, the Thai Government would no longer honor the services provisions of the U.S.-Thai Treaty of Amity and Economic Relations (AER). In response to our inquiries, senior officials in the Ministry of Commerce have assured us that these media reports are incorrect, and that the RTG continues to honor without changes the provisions of the AER.  
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